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Police Arrest 77 at Underage Drinking Party

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 30 – Seventy-seven people were ticketed or arrested after police responded to a 911 call about an underage drinking party at 2727 Allens Lane in Evansville.

Officers with the Indiana State Excise Police, Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department and Indiana State Police arrived to discover a Halloween party with 200-300 people in a field behind the residence. When police arrived, numerous people fled. Officers observed a variety of alcoholic beverages and detained a large group of people behind the residence.

Most of those detained were found to be less than 21 years of age and had been consuming alcoholic beverages. Seventy-four minors (aged 18-20) and three adults were ticketed or arrested. One adult was incarcerated for disorderly conduct after he continued yelling at police after being told to stop. He was also charged with resisting law enforcement and public intoxication. One minor was transported to Deaconess Hospital for injuries sustained to his leg when he attempted to flee from the police.

This dispatch was the third to this residence for an underage drinking party within the past year. In November 2007, officers found several hundred youth. On October 5, 2008, officers again responded and found an estimated 300-400 youth.

All charges will be filed with the Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office. A report will be filed with the Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office for the review of any charges that may be filed against the residents of this house.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission. While excise officers are empowered to enforce any state law, they primarily focus on alcohol, tobacco and related violations.